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Hamilton vs. Colgate.

Former scores:

1892—Colgate 8, Hamilton 4.
 1893—Colgate 0, Hamilton 6.
 1894—No game.
 1895—No game.
 1896—No game.
 1897—Colgate 12, Hamilton 6.
 1898—Colgate 0, Hamilton 5.
 Colgate 6, Hamilton 6.
 1899—Colgate 0, Hamilton 30.
 Colgate 0, Hamilton 38.
 1900—Colgate 0, Hamilton 11.
 1901—Colgate 0, Hamilton 12.
 1902—Colgate 11, Hamilton 11.
 1903—Colgate 16, Hamilton 0.
 1904—Colgate 66, Hamilton 2.
 Total—Colgate 119, Hamilton 133.

In thirteen years Hamilton has won six games, Colgate has won four, and two were tied.

The gala day in the athletic side of Hamilton life has rolled around once more, and today we invade Hamilton to cheer the men on to do their best. Our Yale-Harvard, our Army-Navy game will be played today. All the partisan feeling, the manly, honest rivalry between the two institutions, will spring into flame this afternoon, when the twenty-two men wait for the signal to begin.

Comparative scores are misleading and proven liars, yet here are some which show us indefinitely how the ground lies this afternoon:

Cornell proved herself the master over us both, when she beat us 5 to 0, and Colgate 11-10. This would seem to show Colgate to be strong on offense while we are stronger on defense. Rochester bit the dust before the maroon to the tune of 34-10, but failed to score on the buff and blue, the game ending 29-0. This would also seem to show that Colgate is a bit weaker on defense than we are. Then came the Salt City team, which, however, rolled up the largest

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HAMILTON 17, UNION 0.

THE TEAM SHOWS MUCH IMPROVEMENT.

Union Plays Strong Game in First Half But Weakens in Second.

Last Saturday, on a dry field and with perfect weather conditions, Hamilton defeated Union on her own campus. The buff and blue supporters were considerably in doubt concerning the outcome of the game, but the score of 17 to 0 in favor of Hamilton tells its own story.

Union averaged a little heavier than Hamilton but Hamilton more than made up for it in speed. The game was a source of satisfaction to those advocates of a more open style of play, as it abounded throughout with long runs, much kicking and many fine tackles. The only mass play proper, which was used to any extent, was the "guard back" formation. In this Thompson did great work, making holes in the Union line which looked like doors. The defensive work of the team was much better than that of the Trinity game, the line especially showing improvement.

Union kicked off to Hamilton. The ball was returned to the middle of the field. Line bucks were used successfully until on Union's 45-yard line Hamilton was forced to punt. Union brought the pigskin back to the center of the field and here several punts were exchanged at this point. Moore, in a garnet jersey, got clear and started for Hamilton's goal, but another Moore, in a buff and blue jersey, stopped him with a tackle that brought the bleachers to their feet. Mann was hurt at this time, but pluckily went back into the game. The quarter backs of the respective teams kept punting, evidently hoping to wear out their opponents, and the half ended without either side having scored.

The second half began by a kickoff to Hamilton. By hard line bucks the buff and blue advanced the ball, Ferris

making several good gains. On the 20-yard line LeMunyan got clear for an end run and made the first touchdown. Bramley punted and kicked the goal. Score: Hamilton, 6, Union, 0.

Then Hamilton kicked to Union. Here Union did their best playing. They rushed the ball to the center of the field where Hamilton held them for downs. With the ball in their possession there was no stopping the blue jerseyed players. They carried the ball down the field, using the guard-back play to good advantage and scored the second touchdown by the same play as before, LeMunyan carrying the ball over. Bramley punted out but missed the goal. Score: Hamilton, 11; Union, 0.

Union kicked to Moore who came back 35 yards in fine style. Hamilton started for Union's goal and received no check until within 10 yards of Union's last chalk mark. Here signals were mixed and Union got the ball. They made no assault upon Hamilton's line but punted immediately. Bramley was then substituted for Ferris at half and Holley went in at quarter. Bennett replaced Mann at fullback. When within 10 yards of Union's goal the buff and blue was penalized 15 yards. LeMunyan tried Union's end and with superb interference by Holley ran 25 yards before being downed on Union's 5-yard line. Another mix up in signals lost ground for Hamilton, and then the team exasperated by these "so near and yet so far" tactics, fairly threw Bennett over for a touchdown. Bramley kicked the goal. Score: Hamilton, 17; Union, 0. For Hamilton, Nellis, Mann, Sicard and Bramley played star games. For Union, Davis and Moore were easily the best. The line-up:

Hamilton 17.	Union o.
LeMunyan.	Left end.
Schwartz,	Left tackle.
Swetman.	Left guard.
Nellis.	Center.
Thompson.	Right guard.
Barrows.	Right tackle.
Sicard, (White.)	Right end.
Bramley, (Capt.)	Quarterback.
(Holley.)	Left halfback.
Moore, (Roosa.)	Right halfback.
Ferris, (Bramley,)	Fullback.
Mann, (Bennett.)	Referee—Munroe, Bowdoin.
Length of halves—25 minutes. Touchdowns—	
LeMunyan 2, Bennett 1.	

The Musical Clubs.

Reports are heard from time to time of a new city being added to the itinerary of the musical clubs. At present the management is sure of concerts in Binghamton, Elmira and Auburn, to help comprise one trip. Another trip East is proposed, going as far as Troy and Albany.

The musical clubs are considered here, as well as in other colleges, as the most important branch of activity outside of athletics. To make one of the clubs is an honor second to nothing but an athletic position.

To new men there is no chance offered during their college course that is better adapted for getting acquainted with the fellows. Combined with this the clubs have an extremely good time. They are worth trying for. The men of last year's glee club who are still in College are: Purdy (leader), Stryker, Sicard, French, and Warburton, '06, C. H. Allen and Trippe, 1907. Simmons and Coupe, 1908. This leaves three vacancies in the first tenor part, five in second tenor, one in first bass, and three in second bass. In the instrumental club the following are still with us: Purdy (leader), 1906, Trippe and Bagg, 1907, Adams, Allen and H. K. Holley, 1908. There are five open places in the first mandolin group, four in the second mandolin, three in the guitars and three in the violins. The above shows what a fine chance new men have for making the organization.

Our Football Officials.

A feature in the games played on the Campus this fall is the entire absence of any "kicking" on the rulings made by our officials. That as much as anything has made this season a success. Not once this year have the bleachers had their patience tested by being compelled to watch a dispute between captains and officials. Too much praise cannot be given the management for the good sense they showed in the selection of their officials, nor can we overestimate the good work done by those officials on Steuben Field. Their decisions, in every case, were impartial, and the acceptance of their decisions show the grade of work performed by our umpires and referees.

Basket-Ball.

Already several "locals" have appeared in LIFE, remarking on the basketball prospects for the season which opens next month. Preliminary practice began on Nov. 1st, and again on last Wednesday several of the old squad and some new men appeared for practice work. The old team is all in College again and Capt. Sherman says there is good material in the Freshman class. This should make the College optimistic regarding the strength of the team. Regular practice will not begin until the football season is over, nor until those men who have played this fall on the 'Varsity can "get over" their break in training, which will take place tonight.

Efforts are being made by the management to secure a coach, but at present nothing of a definite nature can be said.

The only time to publish a basketball schedule is at the end of the season. The fact that games can be played on any week night, as against Saturday games only in football, makes a basketball schedule subject to change without notice. Unfortunately Hobart and Amherst have no teams this season, while Syracuse, at present, can play only a very restricted schedule. This takes four games off the proposed schedule of last spring. On the other hand, we expect to play Dartmouth, and arrangements for games with Princeton and Yale are being attempted. Nothing is definite here as yet. There is also a trip being planned to include Trinity and Wesleyan, but again this is not actually contracted for. There is, how-

ever, a strong probability of its being arranged. No other departures from last season's schedule are at present anticipated.

Taking on Dartmouth, Trinity and Wesleyan, will mean an added expense, which will become heavy should Yale or Princeton be on the schedule, too. The team will be worthy of the best support the College can give. This means subscriptions, attendance at the games and at practice; but above all, an efficient scrub. Let all who can play at all get out and work!

Student Volunteer.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday of last week witnessed the conference of the Student Volunteer movement in Auburn. Hamilton was represented, and in fact delegates from all the important institutions of the state were in attendance. Addresses were given by men who have been in foreign lands; India, Japan were represented by two native students, who gave talks that were especially interesting. The conference was in a way preparatory to the National Conference which will be held next February in Nashville, in attendance at which there will be at least three thousand delegates.

A Knock.

Applying the maxim that "constant dripping weans away a stone," another kick is registered. This time it is the subject of lights in the halls of "North." That the trustees of any college should allow the halls of any of the buildings, and particularly a dormitory, to go unlighted, seems beyond the power of imagination.

The blackness of Erebus is not in it for a second with the halls of "Old North." Now that winter is coming and the days are shortening, these will be shrouded in darkness more than half the time. The roomers in North make their way about by a sort of "sixth sense," but a stranger in North after 6 o'clock is more helpless than he would be in a London fog.

Last Tuesday evening a fellow in North, who rooms on the top floor and should know the "ups and downs" pretty well, fell down the lower flight of stairs and cut his head. Only by good luck did he escape serious injury. Some day when luck is absent there will be a severe accident and the trustees will have the bills to pay. A fraction of that money used now, would avert all this trouble. "Let there be light."

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THE UNION GAME WAS ENCOURAGING in almost every way. For the first time this fall the team played its best in the the second half and held its strength throughout the game. The offensive work during the latter period was hard and fast, as three touchdowns in twelve minutes attest. Union had expected to win and put up a good game but was outclassed in the second half. Though not many men accompanied the team, the few faithful made about as much noise as the whole Union crowd.

There is every reason to hope that the Colgate game today will not be a one-sided contest, and if our offense get working we ought to score. Colgate is weakened by the loss of Runge, and this, together with the fact that throughout the season her defense has been by no means invulnerable, makes us hopeful of pushing the maroon hard. The rooters, we hope, need no admonition to do their best to encourage the team. When the fellows are fighting on the field it seems but a trivial matter to lose your voice or half a lung in cheering them on. Good yelling goes a long way at times toward inspiring a team. It's hard work playing an up-hill game with no one back of you, but with good loyal support wonders can be worked. Hamilton spirit has won more than one game; let's see what it will do today.

IF AN ARGUMENT IS NEEDED against the present renovated Chapel system, an even casual notice of the line of Freshman "decs" would furnish it. It may be true that the great orations are few, but it is not necessary that the moss-grown ones should be omnipresent. Some of the "decs" that appear, an upperclassman—nay, even a Sophomore—would blush to rehearse in the privacy of his closet. Not alone ancient relics of decayed grandiloquence affront us, but some of the so-called new type are as far from being declamations as an auction bill is. Certainly here is a legitimate criticism. This defect is a ridiculous and a serious one. It is an insult to the Chapel to have some of these antiques palmed off on it and especially when murdered as they usually are. If nothing is due the department itself in this line something is certainly due the College. We have lost our old-time boast of Chapel exercises for the whole College, but why lose the life and virility of the discipline entire. The past rises before us too often, both pro and con.

A CERTAIN UTICA MAN, who is supposed to know football, was heard to remark a few days ago that the Hamilton-Colgate game would be as big a farce as it was last year. Hamilton men don't say much about the game of last year nor do they express undue confidence concerning today's contest, yet they are all going down to Colgate with the team, prepared to back it up until the last second of play. Whatever may be the final score we are sure to be justly proud of our team, as we have been throughout the season. We are certain that the game will be far from a farce; that the team will play honest football and hard; that Hamilton men will be there with Hamilton spirit to cheer the team on to victory.

THE *Harvard Bulletin*, which speaks for such of the Harvard alumni as happen to be of its way of thinking, prefers strong charges against football as it is played, declaring that "there is something the matter with a game that grows more uninteresting every year, that engrosses the attention of the undergraduate body while its season lasts, and that requires the constant attention of skilled surgeons. It is the testimony," it says, "of a well-known surgeon who has coached football teams, that the human body is not fit to endure the game as it is played in the American

colleges. If one could see the straps about the ankles, the bandages on the knees, the harnesses on the shoulders, the padding all over the body, to say nothing of the headgear and noseguards, and would then recollect that in spite of all these precautions men are injured day after day so that they can not play for weeks, he would admit that the game is not the kind that boys ought to play."

If this is a fair view of football it would seem that a decided change ought to be made in the rules of the game. But the oracles say the rules are all right and that there is nothing the matter with the game if played under the rules. What will be the outcome of this attack upon the game would be difficult to foretell. Certain it is that there will be some changes, either in the rules or in the manner of enforcing them.

NOW THAT WE HAVE A special incentive to develop a strong chess team there should be no delay in organizing a club. The beautiful table and equipment presented to the College by Prof. Rice are for use, and we will show ourselves unappreciative if steps are not taken soon to organize and develop a team worthy of the College. There are some men in the Senior class who were members of the club last year and it is up to them to take the matter in hand.

THAT THE COST of publishing the *Hamiltonian* has been increasing too rapidly no one will gainsay. Last year the Board went behind about four hundred dollars and a heavy special tax will have to be put upon the class to cover the loss. Having the experience of last year's Board to profit by, the Juniors have decided to limit the present Board to a loss of one hundred dollars. This seems like a wise move. For a class of thirty-three men to stand a loss greater than this would be both unreasonable and inexpedient. The price of the book will be raised from one dollar to a dollar and a half. At this price the sale of the books ought to be as large as in former years. Certainly no one who cares at all for a *Hamiltonian* will begrudge this extra fifty cents.

Football Schedule.

Sept. 27.	Cornell 5, Hamilton 0.
Oct. 2.	St. Lawrence 0, Hamilton 12.
7.	Rochester 0, Hamilton 29.
14.	Syracuse 27, Hamilton 0.
21.	St. Lawrence 11, Hamilton 11.
28.	Hamilton 21, Trinity 17.
Nov. 4.	Union 0, Hamilton 17.
11.	Colgate at Hamilton.

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score on us. Colgate has established a fine record, so have we. What will be the score? Who will win? Those questions will be answered this afternoon, and of course everyone will be on hand to see it done. We will leave Clinton at 1 o'clock on a special train. Get out your colors and megaphones, put a box of throat lozenges in your pocket, and show them how you individually and the College collectively can yell. All classes will be excused today at 12:30.

The lineup will be as follows:

Hamilton.		Colgate.
LeMunyan.	l. e.	Knapp.
Schwartz.	l. t.	Carter.
Swetman.	l. g.	Huntley.
Nellis.	c.	Simmons.
Thompson.	r. g.	Ford.
Barrows.	r. t.	Houseman.
Sicard.	r. e.	Sherwood.
Bramley or Holley.	q.	Greene.
Ferris or Bramley.	l. h.	Castleman.
Bennett.	f.	Curtis.
Moore.	r. h.	Stowell.
Hamilton subs—Roosa, Stryker, Bloyer and White.		

The game will be called at 2:30 sharp. Mr. Evans, of Williams, will referee.

Class Politics.

The Freshmen in their recent elections, violated all College precedent and tradition by the employment of dirty politics. According to their own story, a ring was formed which made out a slate of officers and pledged each other their support. Whether they did this in ignorance or in a spirit of indifference to College custom, makes no difference. The fact remains that it was done.

College politics at best are rotten and should be left entirely alone. Elections so carried out do not express the sentiment of the men in the class and cannot fail to arouse dissatisfaction. Worse than that they destroy all College feeling and intimate relations between the members of the class.

This class by its action has established a precedent which future classes may follow. We trust that they will not. Now it remains for the transgressors to try to counteract the evil effects of their actions by a scrupulous avoidance of all sorts and conditions of politics.

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College Notes.

—Post, '04, was in chapel last Sunday.
—Ernst Heyl, '09, was with us Tuesday.

—White, ex-'08, is here for the Colgate game.

—Coach Watson saw the Williams-Colgate game last Saturday.

—There is a fine article on Elihu Root, '64, in the November number of *World's Work*.

—Coupe, '08, patterning after John Rockefeller, is introducing in College the use of skull caps.

—Speaking of nicknames, a Freshman was heard to ask after class: "Say, Professor Dribbles, is this so?"

—The Juniors beat "Heinie" in a race from Chapel to the Hall of Philosophy. The prize for the victors was a class cut.

—Several alumni attended the game in Schenectady. Among them were: S. H. Adams, '91, Burgess, '03, and Hoffman, '05.

—Runge, of Colgate, has appendicitis and will not be in the game today. We are sorry for Runge, but just as glad for ourselves.

—The Glee and Mandolin Clubs have begun practice. The management has decided that it can only afford to take twenty-five men. The men who can "double up" will therefore be at a premium.

—The startled deer are reported to be frantically stampeding to the South. Warburton, '06, has reached the scene of his slaughters.

—The Sophomore-Freshman football game will be played a week from today. "Hod" Holley has been elected captain of the Sophomore team.

—Union was so confident of victory last Saturday that they ordered 150 seats at the theatre for that night, and had the stage decorated with their banners.

—Funny how the papers murder "Jimmie's" surname. We have seen it in various stages of abuse, *i. e.*, Lemunyan, Munyon, Manyan, Moonian, etc.

—"Wardie" told "Nick" Holmes that if he did not cease from his ebullitions of childhood, he would either have to stay after school or stand in the corner.

—Elihu Root, Jr., '03, has been on the Hill this week. He has been lately admitted to the bar. He was Clark Prize orator when in college, as well as prize debater.

—In Wednesday chapel, Osborn, '09, "forgot his piece." After a few moments of awful silence his face brightened and with an air of triumph he exclaimed, "God be praised!"

—Another of the "chosen" gentry, purchasing our cast-off vestments, got his on Tuesday, in the shape of a liberal dose of H₂O. As usual, "Nick" Holmes was the perpetrator.

—That picture of the football squad is doing double duty, in bringing to the public eye the shining lights of our gridiron. The souvenir idea seems to have hit the College hard.

—Woolcott, '09, walked into "Nick's" room and took his accustomed seat. After waiting for ten or fifteen minutes he found by inquiring of "Nick" that his class had recited the hour previous.

—The Freshmen note with some chagrin that the latest *Record* reports that after the opening chapel "the exercises were continued on the open Campus." If that's a scurf, why not record them as the usual calisthenics drill of something mild.

—During the coming week the Freshman elocution classes go into executive session, as it were, for the rest of the term. Prof. White has split it up into divisions small enough to meet once a week, and henceforth will drill the embryonic orators in the Chapel. He purposes, if there is time, to try an experiment with the class later on, by producing several charades in which the whole class will participate.

—Illustrative of the trials of the football manager: Benedict asked Prof. Shepard for his contribution after class the other day, and the vendor of French wisdom took the occasion to warn him about his work. Had "Benny" gone out with the rest he might have escaped.

—We have not heard much lately about the Freshman Debating Society. They have evidently decided to devote their superfluous energy to their Greek and Latin. "Square" also hinted that there were a few who could profitably afford to spend a little more time on algebra.

—Extract from the Albany Sunday paper, speaking of the Union game: "Stryker was a horse for Hamilton at left halfback, and often carried several Union men on his back for many yards before he could be downed." Rather sad attempt on Albany's part at accuracy, since Stryker did not play.

—Among the visitors, welcome or otherwise, during the past week, the Hill received its usual visit from the old clothes man. His honey-dropping tongue is said to have lost no persuasive power. However, as it is still early in the year, he was not obliged to hire a cart to take the purchases away.

—What's in a name? Ask Nellis. Our Colgate rivals have gotten out a more or less elaborate poster, with photographs of Runge, Castleman and our flaxen-haired center. Wonderful to relate, they have labelled him Hillis, but a little thing like that won't interfere with a proper delivery of the goods from the center of the line next Saturday.

—The Campus looked surprisingly like a barn-yard in the vicinity of the Library a few days ago. In addition to the following of chickens to which we have become accustomed, two calves and their maternal ancestor roamed at will around the storehouse of knowledge. Some one suggested that it was in order to accommodate the Freshmen.

—After much wire pulling and log rolling, the Freshman class has had the exciting experience of its first election. One brief hour Wednesday afternoon resulted in a full selection of officers, who have entered upon their duties although the proverbial set-ups have not yet materialized. The men chosen were: Beck, president; Love, vice-president; Butler, secretary; Getman, treasurer. The class also elected Roenke as basket-ball manager. A captain for the team will be chosen from among the men who are now trying out.

—Apropos of Saturday, Nellis played a wonderful game, but partly we fear with an ulterior motive. It is said that he had invited one of Albany's fairest to attend the theatre, but was short most of the wherewithal to buy the tickets. Being speculatively inclined he wagered the part he had on the contest. This, it may be, is accountable for some of his brilliancy.

—While groping his way through the pitchy blackness of the halls of North on Monday night, "Bob" Scoon misjudged the staircase, and was precipitated to the bottom in what might well have been a dangerous fall. As it was, he escaped with a shake-up and a slight bruise on the head. The incident ought to prove an eloquent appeal for lights in the halls of the dormitory, whose Stygian darkness is a bane to all that dwell therein.

The Football Dinner.

With the close of a football season in which we all take pride, the question of a football dinner arises. For two years now it has been the custom to have a dinner in Commons Hall the week following the last game. These occasions afford an opportunity of bringing the College together in the true old Hamilton spirit. Those of us who have been present at these dinners know the amount of pleasure to be derived from such gatherings.

A dinner this year would give us one more opportunity to see the veterans of 1906 together, and that alone is argument enough in favor of such a plan.

A combination of one of Mahady's famous feeds of fictitious food, stunts by the musical club, speeches, and best of all, the rousing Hamilton yells, would make an evening worth while. Let's have a football dinner.

Thinks View Was Wrong.

To the Editor of Hamilton Life:

We understand that this is reciprocity, "give and take," that it is not a question of what we shall read, but that we should have something to read. On this account we wish to speak in favor of the "grafters."

If the so-called "selfish business, unfair to both merchant and periodicals," was really such, and if it demanded mention by your paper, we believe that in the main the principle of the criticism was just. However, we beg to call your attention to your careless, "careful consideration of the matter."

We do not wish to burden the readers with so small a matter, but would be glad to satisfy the writer of the editorial that none of the reflective details of his criticism were true.

We thoroughly support the view that no private person should for "personal gains pure and simple" interfere with the financial well-being of any college department. That is good, both in theory and practice. But had the writer examined the grounds of the criticism, he would have had less to say on the subject and less reason for saying it.

It's easier to criticize than create. That justifies the former method, but that article is one of a too large class of extreme criticism based on insufficient data. One is led to wonder if it is a necessary function of the College weekly to be so oracular in its statements, and if it would not be better to verify criticism than stigmatize certain men as selfish, disloyal and what not, before they are made public. Respectfully,

MELROSE, '06.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Tomorrow we have with us Messrs. MacArthur and Saffort, from the international and state committees, respectively. They will meet all men interested in Bible study in the Y. M. C. A. directly after chapel. The men will have a chance to meet them personally and get suggestions.

Mr. MacArthur will speak at the regular meeting of the afternoon. He is a traveling secretary and going about among the colleges of the eastern states has obtained many facts that will be interesting and helpful. We made a special effort to get these men and hope that every man in college will endeavor to hear them.

At last we are able to say with some definiteness that the Blue Books are about to be distributed. It is a matter of deep regret that they have been so long delayed.

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